

# Quote

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## MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

[1] Sen WALTER F GEORGE (D-Ga), chmn of Senate For'gn Relations Comm, *declaring U S must not reduce forces in Europe*: "I don't think we can give up anything or rest on our oars at this time. It's more important to move forward as we have been doing than at any time. We can't let our guard down now." . . . [2] Rob't T STEVENS, Sec'y of the Army, *favoring larger reserves over bigger standing army*: "Either we bear indefinitely the heavy burden of maintaining a huge military establishment capable of winning any war we might have to fight, or we accept the lesser sacrifices entailed in supporting a vigorous reserve of adequate size and capability." . . .

[3] Rep A L MILLER (R-Neb), *during dispute over whether Soviet air power tops ours*: "I don't minimize the Russian threat, but it seems always that when we have any major military bills before Congress, we get a flood of reports designed to scare us." . . . [4] V A LESHKOTSEV, Moscow radio com-

### Quote of the Week

HAROLD E STASSEN, retiring for'gn aid director: "The real significance of our time lies in the measure of the free world's economy against (that) of the captive and captor nat'ns. . . The free world is well in front. . . The conservative, 19th century capitalism has evolved into a people's capitalism in which the people are reaping the benefits of a prosperous economy."

mentator, *concluding that new atomic sub is figment of U S imagination*: "As has happened more than once, the Americans are trying to intimidate the world with weapons not yet built." . . . [5] Another Moscow Radio commentator, *accusing British Socialist mbr of Parliament, Norman Dodds, of using unfair baby-kissing tactics in Britain's nat'l elections*: "Dodds tried to coax a baby into kissing him by promising to cut the tax on toys."

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"He who never quotes, is never quoted"  
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*Charles Hutton Ferguson*



#### ADVICE—1

The best thing an adviser does is to listen.—Dr ALAN GREGG, v-pres, Rockefeller Foundation.

#### AGE—2

At 30, one should measure others, at 50 one's self, at 70, mankind.—CLIFTON FADIMAN, *Party of One* (World).

#### AGRICULTURE—3

As late as 1910, 1/2 of our population was directly engaged in agriculture. Many more lived in small rural communities. Most people had a pretty good idea of farming and its problems.

Now, less than 14% of our people are farmers. Farming itself has changed so much that people who grew up on farms even a few yrs ago know nothing of modern farming problems. Today perhaps 75% of our people have little or no understanding of agriculture as an industry.—Rep CLIFFORD R HOPE, "What Nonfarmers Should Know About the Farm Program," *Successful Farming*, 5-55.

Maxwell Droke is in Europe. His departments, *The Moving Finger* and *Of All Things*, will be resumed upon his return about the middle of July.

#### AMERICA—4

America was built by people who wore rose-colored glasses. — C H GREENEWALT, pres, Du Pont Co.

#### ATHEISM—5

An atheist is one who hopes the Lord will do nothing to disturb his disbelief.—FRANKLIN P JONES.

#### AUTOMATION—6

Like the pioneers of the Industrial Revolution in the 18th Century, we face a world in which only 1 thing is certain: change is ahead, fundamental change. We are leaving the push-button age and entering an age where the buttons push themselves. — JOHN DIEBOLD, *Advertising Age*.



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### **BEHAVIOR—7**

So great is the need for respect that many will sacrifice economically in order to get it. Men can live with very little bread, but something goes terribly wrong when elementary human dignity is denied. Many a man would rather have equality of respect than equality of wages. Therefore, a good economic order is one that helps to give self-respect to all who toil, and a good political order is one in which there are no 2nd-class citizens. — ELTON TRUEBLOOD, Chief of Religious Policy, U S Information Agency, *Declaration of Freedom* (Harper).

### **BROTHERHOOD—8**

If men could only know each other, they would never either idolize or hate.—*Friendly Chats*.

### **BUSINESS—9**

If private business should be supervised in the public interest, gov't, when it assumes a business role, is in equal need of supervision.—JAS A FULTON, *Forbes*.

### **CHILD—Guidance—10**

400 yrs ago a gardener planted a small pine tree in 1 inch of soil in a shallow dish. He trimmed each root and branch as the tree grew. When he died his son took up the task, and so on down thru 19 generations. Today that tree stands, never having outgrown the original dish, in the Kuhura Gardens in Tokyo. After 400 yrs it is only 20 inches high with a twisted top some 36 inches across.

That little tree shouts a warning to every parent. The mind and soul can be cut back just like the tree, always with the same result: a dwarf! — Rev PURNELL BAILEY, *Grit*.

On Father's Day, we honor Dad

To give his heart a lift;  
'Tis just like Mother's Day, except

He gets a cheaper gift!

—STEPHEN SCHLITZER, *Better Farming*. 11

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### **CHRISTIANITY—12**

Now is the time for Christians to act on swamp-draining projects, not on mosquito swatting. — Rev SHERMAN L LYON, *Christian Advocate*.

### **CHURCH—Contributions—13**

Church is one place where people seem to think they can get just as much as ever for a quarter.—Corbin (Ky) *Tribune*.

### **CITIZENSHIP—14**

A good citizen is one who behaves as if there were no laws.—*Pipefuls*, hm, State Mutual Life Assurance Co.

### **COURAGE—15**

Courage is the consciousness of power, the realization that emergencies can be met, obstacles overcome. As long as we do not become suspicious of our own ability, we are courageous.—*Wkly Animator*, hm, Alexander Film Co.

### **CURIOSITY—16**

A British film studio recently placed a sign with letters about 8 ft high, saying "Quiet Please," on the roof of a sound studio to warn noisy airplanes away. But the letters of the words were not quite large enough. Passing planes now roar down low to read what it is all about.—*Sunshine Mag*.

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Tip to Ike enthusiasts: Get a new talking point for urging a 2nd term. The Pres confides that almost everyone among the hordes of persons who plead with him to run in '56 uses the same line—an appeal to his “sense of duty to the country.” And, he complains privately, he’s grown plenty weary hearing it.

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*Patent lawyers in Washington report that they’ve never been so busy in their lives. Inquiries are pouring in from people wanting to market a Davy Crockett novelty and wanting to know if anyone else has a patent on it. The Crockett business, they say, beats any other craze in U S history.*

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The For’gn Operations Administration sends out questionnaires to those persons who are given as references by an applicant for a FOA job. One such questionnaire came back the other day with the most unusual ans’r yet to the question: “Why do you think the applicant wants to work for this agency?” The ans’r: “I think he needs the money and I don’t think he knows what he’s getting into.”

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The nurse at nat’l hqrs of the U S Chamber of Commerce discloses that during the Chamber’s nat’l convention in Washington recently, she dispensed 1,000 aspirins in 2 days to the hqrs’ staff workers—normally a 2 mo’s supply.

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## EQUALITY—17

The law cannot make all men equal, but they are equal before the law in the sense that their rights are equally the subject of protection and their duties of enforcement.—Sir FREDERICK POLLOCK, *Jnl of the American Judicature Society*.

## FAITH—18

Faith is indispensable and the world at times does not seem to have quite enough of it. It has and can accomplish the impossible. Wars have been started and men and nations lost for the lack of faith. Faith starts from the individual and builds men and nations. America was built by and on the faith of our ancestors.—G A SANDBERG, in *The Forbes Scrapbook of Thoughts on the Business of Life* (Forbes Publishing Co).

## GOV’T—Debt—19

Suppose we took the total annual paychecks of all of the 55 million people who work in our factories, business, and farms. Add to that the pay of the 7 million civilians on gov’t payrolls and the 3 million armed forces mbrs. Suppose we then added extras like the Social Security payments made by employers. That would total \$209 billion—some \$70 billion less than the nat’l debt. — *Industrial News Review*.

## HONOR—20

If honor disappears, then our whole way of life disappears. When people stop trusting each other’s promises, then we have stopped being civilized and have gone back to the jungle. — PHILIP D REED, *New Outlook*.

# Mining the Magazines



Those traditional illustrated insurance folders depicting horrors of penniless old age are losing more of their punch each day, according to retirement trend noted in *U S News & World Report* (5-20-'55). In 1950, vast majority of over-65'ers had to work or accept relief; now 38 in 100 elder citizens are retired on pensions and Social Security. And if you're worrying about the drain on *that* fund, Social Security coffers netted \$1.2 billion gain this yr, with steady rise predicted for at least 30 yrs more.

It is now unlawful for children's publications in France to contain anything likely to inspire or preserve racial or nat'l prejudices, rep'ts *Concern*. This new ruling was added to a 5-yr-old law prohibiting examples of violence or immorality in children's periodicals. Both rulings apply thruout the French Union, may have most effect in African and Indo-China territory.

What might be called the "Lawrence Plan" joins the Townsend Plan in claiming "a right in distributive justice" to the nat'l wealth—this time for large families, whose plight is described by Fr R A Lawrence in *Eagle* (6-'55). Fr Lawrence, a Marquette sociology prof, thinks a small gov't allowance to families for each child, coupled with higher taxes if both parents

The Explicit - rather - than - Mysterious Orient: A Tokyo nightclub, according to Santha Rama Rau in *Holiday* (6-'55) advertises its charms by suggesting that you "wrap yourself in the sensational atmosphere with a babe on your lap."

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work, would encourage more mothers to be full-time homemakers. Seeing less "statism" in his plan than in free medical-dental programs, Fr Lawrence denies also that such help would be subsidy reward for prolific parents. "No one," he says confidently, "would go into the business of raising children for \$10 a month."

The type of person who clips lists of campaign promises for check-off purposes might save the time-table accompanying "Will Russia Beat us to the Moon?" in *Parade* (5-8-'55). It sets down, side by side, the Soviet and U S deadline dates for projects leading to conquest of the moon. Russia sets yr 2000 as goal for moon landing; U S scientists cagily avoid naming date, hoping only for moon-circling ship by 1988.

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It's seldom any one bestows  
 The praise that Father  
 should have had.  
 But—here's the debt that one  
 man owes,  
 I sing a little song to Dad!  
 —BERTON BRALEY, *It's Only  
 Fair.* 21

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#### INDUSTRY—Future—22

We can foresee the American economy of tomorrow. It is a glorious picture with man the controller and master who can look upward and forward, while the physical and boring tasks are taken over by the mach'ry of cybernetics and automation.—SYLVESTER L. WEAVER Jr, Pres, NBC, quoted by MICHAEL HARRINGTON, "The Advance of Automation," *Commonwealth*, 5-20-'55.

#### LEADERSHIP—23

What specific abilities does the successful exec possess?

Research has shown that he is possessed of superior mental and analytical talents. His predominant interest is in people and he knows how to get along well with them. He is aggressive and constantly in search of new work to be done and new methods of doing it. He tends to worry and develop tensions no more than the average man, even tho his job is conducive to anxiety. — Dr ROSE M. WALD, "Elements of Exec Success," *Commerce*, 4-'55.

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The success of any exec depends more on his ability to communicate than any other skill at his command. — WALTER J. CAMPBELL, editorial, *Steel*.

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#### LIFE—Living—24

A young senior at Yale Univ recently asked a N Y court to let him renounce all claim to a \$350,000 trust fund established for him by his father. . . The situation suggests some questions which others, with no dollar fortune at stake, may be moved to ask themselves.

How many persons, consciously or unconsciously, may have rejected legacies they could have had by simple acceptance? A friendship turned aside. A talent left undeveloped. A contact avoided because of prejudice. An opportunity passed by for lack of confidence. . .

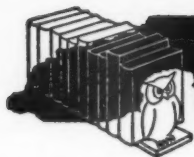
Every human being has received a legacy of enormous importance from his Creator. What he does with his life and intelligence may be as significant as a philanthropist's use of capital. Such gifts are a responsibility; they cannot be renounced. — Editorial, *Christian Science Monitor*.

#### MAN—Future—25

Man may perish by his own explosive and insidious inventions. For an adjustment to them he leaves himself precious little time, and progressively less as his technological wizardry runs wild and rushes on. If he is to survive at all, it cannot be thru slow adjustment. *It will have to be thru design* more subtly considered and circumspect, thru more cautious planning in advance. — RICHARD NEUTRA, *Survival Thru Design* (Oxford Univ Press).

#### MARRIED LIFE—26

When a husband opens the door and helps his wife into the car, he has probably just acquired one or the other.—*Toastmaster*.



## Book Briefs

Max Schulman, co-author of this season's Broadway play, *The Tender Trap*, is rep'ted preparing an anthology of college humor. An illiterary light of the *Ski-U-Mah* during his Univ of Minnesota days and since author of zany college parodies (*Barefoot Boy With Cheek*, *Feather Merchant*, *Zebra Derby*), Schulman is without doubt the man for the job. His best-selling ways with the ivy set may cause him trouble, tho; undergrad humorists have taken his stuff as guidebooks for writing style. We predict he'll find the footprints of barefoot boy Asa Hearthrug walking thru every college humor magazine he reads.

The Congressional wives are overlooking nothing to add serenity to Pres Eisenhower's library at his Gettysburg farm. One of the books presented for his shelves at a breakfast was Wyoming's offering, *Stay Away, Joe*.

Everyone knows, of course, that "ghost-writing" is a venerable institution. But Harry C Bauer, Director of Libraries at the Univ of Washington, in Seattle, points to what may well be a unique case—a British monarch who "ghosted" for a shepherd. In at least two instances Geo III wrote letters which he attributed to "Ralph Robinson, of Windsor." Robinson actually was a servant who had charge of the flocks at Windsor Castle.

Neal O'Hara, columnist, rep'ts that last yr 6,908 Americans applied for passports under the classification of "writer." If they all turn to travel books—the prospect is too horrible to contemplate!

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No more long vigils by the tv sets for Minneapolis residents who like watching H-Bomb explosions; now they can set off mushroom clouds in their living rooms right on schedule by renting edited film of the 1st 1952 Pacific blast from their library. No commercials, either. . . Just as explosive is a Washington library just started by ex-FBI men. Containing only mat'l on subversive persons and groups, Communist and Fascist literature, it's open to the public, including Communists.

Reading *Girl-Watcher's Guide*, by Don Sauers, we speculated now and anon as to the reaction of Mrs Sauers. Now we have it. And it is, we are happy to note, a moderately enlightened attitude. "Girl-watching" by married men is, it seems, quite okay—within reasonable limits: "Let 'em look," says the lady, "but just look, mind you. That way everybody is happy."

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### UNiversity Assignment

*Since the U N meets soon to re-evaluate its Charter on the 10th anniv of signing (June 25, 1945), we might do well to recall, and re-dedicate ourselves to, the goals set forth in the Charter Preamble:*

We, the peoples of the United Nations

Determined to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war . . . and

To reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of the human person, in the equal right of men and women, of nations large and small,

To establish conditions under which justice and respect for the obligations arising from treaties and other sources of internat'l law can be maintained, and

To promote social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom, and for these ends

To practice tolerance and live together in peace . . . and

To unite our strength to maintain internat'l peace . . . and

To insure . . . that armed forces shall not be used, save in the common good, and

To employ internat'l machinery for the promotion of the economic and social advancement of all people, have resolved to combine our efforts to accomplish these aims.

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### PARENTHOOD—27

Modern parents tend to underestimate themselves. They are so intent on what the children need that they often overlook what they themselves have to give. We have become too humble. — RUTH E HARTLEY, "Fun Without Tears," *Recreation*, 5-'55.

### PRAYER—28

If we are to pray for our enemies, what shall we say? "Help us to defeat the Communists"? That is not enough. Shall we say: "Deliver us from our enemies"? That is not enough. . . Here is what I believe would please God: "Lord, make all of us, both our friends and our enemies and ourselves, like Christ, so that we shall love one another. . ."—FRANK C LAUBACH, *Channels of Spiritual Power*, (Fleming H Revell).

### RELIGION—29

Religion is not just a product of preaching, or a burden upon man, but a natural instinct of awe and faith.—Rev ALBERT Q PERRY, *Think*.

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Agnosticism — the doctrine that says man can never know whether God rules the world or whether the universe is mindless and senseless—is losing ground. And so is atheism. Recent yrs have seen a growing rapport between religion and its one-time arch-enemy, science. Religion's abandonment of anti-scientific dogmas, its acceptance of the findings of science as proof of the majesty of God, have made religion acceptable to many people who would have rejected it in former times.—PAUL S HELLER, "Three Faiths Answer the Unbeliever," *Coronet*, 5-'55.



# Pathways to the Past



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Week of  
June 19-25  
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## Nat'l Bow Tie Wk

## Nat'l Swim for Health Wk

**June 19—Father's Day** (1st celebrated 45 yrs ago today). . . The divinity of Jesus Christ was affirmed as the cornerstone of official Christian doctrine 1630 yrs ago (325) by the Council of Nicea. . . 20th anniv (1935) of founding of Nat'l Labor Relations Board and Fed'l Communications Commission.

**June 20—115 yrs ago (1840)**, 4 yrs before he tapped out "What hath God wrought," Sam'l F B Morse patented the 1st practical commercial telegraph.

**June 21—Summer begins** (Summer solstice). . . Architect Christopher Wren, rebuilder of London after its Great Fire, laid the 1st stone 280 yrs ago (1675) of his *magnum opus*, St Paul's Cathedral. . . 105th anniv (1850) b of the Boy Scouts' "Uncle Dan," naturalist-author-illustrator Dan'l Carter Beard, founder of Sons of Dan'l Boone and long-time Scout commissioner. . . The Supreme Ct ruled "grandfather" voting clauses illegal 40 yrs ago (1915), outlawing that attempt to disfranchise the Negro. . . U S forces acquired an expensive (39,000 casualties) piece of real estate 10 yrs ago (1945), conquering barren Okinawa.

**June 22—The scornful estimate**

"not worth a Continental" stems from \$2 million of worthless Continental money issued 180 yrs ago (1775) by Congress (what stems from today's 50-cent dollars is less printable). . . 85th anniv (1870) of founding of Dep't of Justice. . . Photographers snapped Hitler dancing for joy 15 yrs ago (1940) after he forced France to sign terms at same scene of humiliating German 1918 surrender.

**June 23—Texas** decided to give the U S a helping hand, agreed to annexation 110 yrs ago (1845). . . Pre-war unrest 95 yrs ago (1860) prompted founding of the Fed'l Secret Service.

**June 24—Midsummer's Day**. . . *Feast of St John the Baptist*. . . 305th anniv (1650) of Britain's 1st Churchillian war-horse, Gen John Churchill, 1st Duke of Marlborough and ancestor of Winston. . . Radar detection of planes, a modern defense essential, was 1st accomplished 25 yrs ago (1930) by U S Navy. . . The N Korean People's Army invaded S Korea 5 yrs ago (1950).

**June 25—Congress** concentrated on saving money and women (from Fates Worse than Death) 45 yrs ago (1910), by creating Postal Savings Bank System and passing Mann White Slave Traffic Act.

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### REPUTATION—30

Definition of reputation: Character minus what you have been caught at.—*Wm Feather Mag.*

### RESEARCH—31

The research worker . . . deals . . . with undefined boundaries of knowledge and with the frayed edges of sound information. He does not march with the procession, but he must do lonely outpost and scouting duties. — THEOBALD SMITH, *Science Digest*.

### SALESMANSHIP—32

We've read many books by authorities on selling, and what makes a good salesman. With due respect for these learned gentlemen and the excellent advice they give, we, also, have a few homely thoughts on the subject, and one of the fundamentals is . . . never pin your hopes on a salesman when the seat of his pants is shiny.—*P-K Sideliner*, hm, Peter Kuntz Co.

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There are some organizations that could stimulate more sales by sticking pins into the salesmen instead of into maps.—*Durez Molder*, hm, Durez Plastics Co.

### SCIENCE—33

Scientific progress is like mounting a ladder; each step upward is followed by a brief pause while the body regains its balance, and we can no more disregard the steps which have gone before than we could cut away the lower part of the ladder.—O G SURTON, *Mathematics in Action* (Bell, London).

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### SOLITUDE—34

The world today does not understand, in either man or woman, the need to be alone. . . Anything else will be accepted as a better excuse. If one sets aside time for a business app't, a trip to the hairdresser, a social engagement, that time is accepted as inviolable. But if one says: I cannot come because that is my hr to be alone, one is considered rude, egotistical or strange. What a commentary on our civilization, when being alone is considered suspect; when one has to apologize for it, make excuses, hide the fact that one practices it—like a secret vice!—ANNE LINDBERGH, *Gift From the Sea* (Pantheon).

### SPEECH—Speaking—35

Veteran speakers usually gesture vigorously and walk around. A moving target is harder to hit.—FRANKLIN P JONES.

### TAXES—36

Out of the entire British population of some 40 million, *only 35 persons* were left in '54 with incomes of more than \$16,800, after payment of taxes. By contrast, in every American city with a population over 10,000, there are certainly 35 persons whose income after taxes exceeds \$16,800.—WM B LIPPARD, *Missions*.

### TEACHERS—Teaching—37

Schoolhouse doors should open both ways—outwards so that teachers can go out and see what the world is like, and inward so that other people can come in and help with the school.—BESS GOODYKOONTZ, *Phi Delta Kappan*.

## TELEVISION vs Reading—38

The alarming thing today is not the use but the abuse of tv. Parents rely on it as a sort of opiate to keep their children quiet and out of circulation. Unfortunately, tv encourages passivity rather than activity. It "fosters the dangerous idea that we can learn by letting knowledge drip on us like rain from heaven.

The deeper and more abiding rewards of literature, on the other hand, are harder to come by. Reading is work. Even in its lightest form it demands some discipline and investment of self. But it is this self-investment which, over the long haul, pays off in dividends to the mind. . . Only the written word gives students the solid background that underlies all real culture. — DR FRANK BAXTER, tv's Shakespeare professor, "Wake Up and Read!" *This Wk*, 5-15-'55.

## UNITED NATIONS—39

The UN is a mere infant, disillusioned with false hopes, as compared with our Constitution, 167 yrs strong, blossoming in full manhood, and fulfilling the hopes of its founders. — HARRY GANDERSON, quoted in *Vital Speeches*.

## WEATHER—40

It's great to live in a free country. If you don't like the weather where you live, you can move somewhere else and not like the weather there either.—*Farm Jnl*.

## WORLD RELATIONS—41

Mankind must become one family or destroy itself. . . I do believe that a synoptic view of History is one of the World's present practical needs.—ARNOLD J TOYNBEE, *A Study of History* (Oxford).

## In Brief

Headline-writers and commentators can't blame Oveta Culp Hobby for tongue-twisting title attached to her Dep't of Health, Education, and Welfare—she doesn't like it either. Says she: "We are concerned with the intimate matters of day-to-day living; it should be called the Dep't of the Home." Sec'y Hobby recently made interesting report stating that current research indicates classroom shortages in 1960 will be less than half her original estimate. Grumbled an unidentified educator, "If the research continues we'll soon be showing a surplus of classrooms!"

Population comparison sounds awesome with 163 million Americans overshadowed by 193 million Russians. But Russian figure includes: 13 million Poles, 3 million Lithuanians, 2 million Latvians, 1 million Estonians, ½ million Finns, ¼ million Japanese. Little subtraction reduces Russia's hordes to around 175 million. . . Communist world spends about \$3.4 billion per yr on propaganda to keep subjects in line and convert others. Russia puts up \$1.2 billion; satellites, \$700 million; Red China, \$1.5 billion. U S, in contrast, is currently spending \$77 million for overseas propaganda. . . Shifting to other fuel figures, every American utilized last yr an average of 739 gal's of petroleum; every Russian perhaps 75 gal's and every Chinese no more than 12 gal's.

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# Good Stories..... you can use

Father O'Connor of Holy Innocents Church in Pleasantville, N Y, entertained a communion breakfast gathering with the story of a race track tout who was down to his last \$2 and hunting for a hot tip.

Suddenly his spirits soared. In the paddock, a priest was blessing an entry in the upcoming race! Here was a sign he couldn't ignore. In a flash, the tout was at a pari-mutuel window placing his all on the nose of the sanctified nag.

But, alas, the horse limped across the finish a dead last. The tout approached the priest with a long face. "Father," he said, "how could a horse do so badly after you'd blessed him?"

"Blessed him?" echoed the priest. "My dear lad, I was giving him the Last Rites!" — E E KENYON, *American Wkly.* a

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The sky-writing pilot had been talking with great enthusiasm about the achievements of his colleague.

"I don't see why you rate this fellow Johnson so high," said another man who had been listening. "You yourself have done some of the neatest smoke work I've ever seen. What's Johnson done that's so special?"

"Well, for one thing, he prints everything in Old English."—*Journeyman Barber.* b

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## I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

LOIS F PASLEY

Last yr, on a vacation trip, we stopped to ask directions at a small mountain cabin, and happened to notice behind the cabin, not just one familiar wooden outhouse, but two. On closer inspection we saw, nailed to the door of each, a coy plaque of the type restaurants and other public places often use to denote men's and women's restrooms.

Noting our interest in these misplaced bits of whimsy, the elderly man of the house explained:

"Our boy in the army brought them back from a big city night club. We had to build another privy so we could use 'em both!"

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The Justice Dep't anti-trust suits against the American Newspaper Publisher's Ass'n and the Hilton Hotel chain have given rise to a new rash of Washington stories. One of them concerns a reported conversation between Att'y Gen'l Herbert Brownell Jr and his ass't, as Brownell embarked on a speech-making tour.

"Of course, nothing you say will get in the papers," the ass't reportedly said.

"That's not all," Brownell repl'd. "I probably won't be able to get a place to sleep either." — *Boston Globe.* c

# Wise Cracks

The women were a scarce commodity in the early days on the Texas frontier, the old-timers refused to be stampeded into matrimony at the 1st opportunity.

"Big Foot" Wallace, a famous Texas pioneer, was once taken prisoner by the Lipan Indians. They tied him to a stake, piled brush around, and the tribe gathered to enjoy a spectacle. As a brave advanced with a firebrand, a widowed squaw, blanket over her head, claimed the white man for a husband—as an exchange, according to tribal law, for her dead mate.

As she dropped the blanket from about her face, Wallace took one look and cried: "Come on! Light your fire!" — ROSS PHARES, *Texas Tradition* (Holt). d

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Mbrs of the Methodist women's church circle in one Wisconsin town some yrs ago were disturbed because a widowed church mbr and her 3 small daughters were staying away from services. Finding the reason to be a lack of suitable clothes, the ladies' group corrected the situation in a generous manner. When the little girls still failed to appear at Sunday School, some of the ladies called to inquire about their absence. The mother thanked them sweetly for the clothing and explained: "The girls looked so nice, I sent them to the Presbyterian church!" — *Whitewater (Wis) Register*. e

Twenty yrs ago lots of folks dreamed about earning the salary they can't get along on today.—Wildrooter, hm, Wildroot Co, Inc.

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Pretty soon the Anglophiles will be calling Great Britain the Garden of Eden.—The Argonaut.

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The oldest plastic in the world is a love-stricken boy in the hands of a girl.—Cracklings.

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All we need to do to make good drivers out of the womenfolk is to teach them to be as careful about curves when they're driving as when they're getting all dressed up.—Sidewalk Superintendent.

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A modern mother is one who worries if her daughter gets in too early.—WALT FRAMER, *Indianapolis Times*.

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A pedestrian is a fellow whose wife beats him to the garage.—Supervision.

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Some women are worth their weight in gold, but it's usually the other kind that get it.—DAN BENNETT.

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Children seldom let grass grow under their feet unless they're told to mow it.—VESTA M KELLY.

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A patient was arguing with the doctor over his big bill. "If you knew what a sacrifice I made for you," said the doctor, "you wouldn't be blowing your top."

"What do you mean, your sacrifice?" demanded the patient.

"There never has been a case just like yours," said the doctor. "If I had let it develop into a post-mortem I would have achieved world-wide fame!"—*Cap-per's Wkly.* f

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"Were you the youngest one at the party, dear?" a mother asked her tiny daughter.

"No," came the smug reply, "there was one gentleman there who came in a baby carriage."—*Outspan* (S Africa). g

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This conversation is reported to have taken place recently in the South Sea Islands:

A native child pointed towards an airliner passing overhead and asked his mother, "What's that?"

"That," the cannibalistic lady answered, "is something like a lobster: you only eat what is inside."—*Tit-Bits*, London. h

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The woman took several hundred words to merely explain to her doctor: "My husband talks to me in his sleep. What should I do?"

"Give him a chance to talk to you while you're both awake!"—*Review*, Munich (QUOTE translation). i

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An inspector in a State Motor Vehicle Dep't, seeing a woman holding her operator's license, wandering around, told her to "Stand in line."

"I can't," she said, pointing to a sign that read *Single Line Only*. "I'm married."—*Baker's Review*. j

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The young priest came home to visit his family. Before sitting down to talk, he took his coat off and threw it across the chair.

"James!" said his mother sharply. "Pick up that coat and hang it in the closet where it belongs."

"Oh, all right, mother, but in the priests' house we do that all the time."

"That may be all right in God's house," snapped the matriarch. "Here you do as I say."—*Erecc's Digest*, syndicated by Cambridge Assoc's, Boston. k

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Night club comic Skeets Minton, commenting on the modern prospecting craze, said: "A friend of mine went out around Las Vegas with a geiger counter. He didn't find any uranium, but he found 3 guys named Geiger." — *Will Jones*, *Minneapolis Tribune*. l

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A bright little girl, returning from school, was asked by her father what she had been learning that morning.

"All of us have been learning to spell," said she.

"What did you learn to spell?"

"Learned to spell rat."

"Well, how do you spell it?"

"R-A-T—rat."

"Now, how do you spell mouse?"

"Just the same," said the little maid, "only in little smaller letters."—*Arkansas Baptist*. m

The Pres called his office mgr in and thrust a letter under his nose.

"Look at that! I thought I told you to engage a new stenographer on the basis of her grammar!"

The office mgr looked startled. "Grammar! I thought you said glamour!"—*Oral Hygiene.* n



### Calling All Astro-Cops

*An interplanetary traffic system for rocket ships was described at a meeting of the International Astro-nautical Association. — News item.*

When rocket ships go tripping  
Through upper, outer space,  
We'll need to check their zipping  
And keep them in their place.

Left turns will be forbidden  
When getting close to Mars,  
Enforced by cops well hidden  
Behind the smaller stars.

When rocket-license holders  
Zoom past in swarms and  
crowds,  
No parking on soft shoulders  
Of solid-looking clouds.

No shifting lanes when threading  
The tricky Milky Way,  
And watch those lights when  
heading  
Smack into night from day.

There'll still be snarls in traffic  
One day, at least, in seven,  
With drivers not seraphic  
Though somewhat nearer heaven.

After mo's of effort, the old merchant at the gen'l store finally collected from a stubborn debtor. "Say on my receipt," said the ornery customer, "that I don't owe you a thing."

With painstaking care, the old storeman wrote, "Bearer don't owe the undersigned nothing—and ain't going to."—*L & N Mag*, hm, Louisville & Nashville Ry. o

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A brute we know had an appointment to meet his wife and take her on a shopping expedition one afternoon. He waited patiently for 15 min's. Then he waited impatiently for 15 min's more. After that he got mad. Seeing one of those automatic machines nearby—one of those contraptions where you drop a quarter in the slot and, in 2 min's get a strip of 4 photos purporting to be yourself, he stepped into it. After putting in the coin he assumed an expression of diabolical ferocity, which wasn't hard under the circumstances. The results shocked even him. Then he wrote his wife's name on the strip and left it at the desk. "If you see a small dark lady with brown eyes and an apologetic expression, apparently looking for someone, would you please give her this," he said. Then he went back to the office content in the thought that if one picture is worth 1,000 words, 4 photos must really express his feelings.

His wife carries them in her purse now. Shows them to anyone who asks if she is married.—*Montrealer.* p

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## Quote-ettes

FRANK PECHMAN, Kaukauno, Wis., photographer, noting current decorating craze for taking old family photos from attic trunks and hanging them up prominently: "I guess the trunks got full." 1-Q-t

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Sen NORRIS COTTON (R-NH): "I am beginning to think that being in the Senate is like being in a steel mill. You had better spit on anything you are about to sit on; it may be hot." 2-Q-t

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BARNEY ALLIS, vet'n hotel man, explaining why his new Kansas City hotel will have 7-ft beds: "When you build a hotel, you have to build for at least 20 yrs. And kids are growing taller now." 3-Q-t

SECOND CLASS MATTER

## News of the **NEW**

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These odds-and-ends are all useful, for a change. A new pie-tin automatically ends arguments over whether the slices are equal. Shaped in a "rough rectangle", pan holds 7 pieces of pie, and has notches on the rim to make certain that all 7 slices are mathematically equal. Some hardware stores are discarding the traditional round pan in favor of this one.

If, like us, you do your traveling accompanied by a small zoo, you'll be enthusiastic about a set of disposable feeding bowls. Sanitized, grease-resistant composition bowls have an outer lip to catch spills;

may be used for drinking bowls, too. Bowl slips over skid-proof, wrought-iron stand. Bowls can be rinsed and reused, or discarded at once. Lightweight and unbreakable, they're wonderful for travel, or for pet shows. Stand and 6 bowls for \$1.25, extra package of 24 bowls for \$1.98 from *Here's How*, 27 E 22nd St, N Y C 10.

Don't be startled at instructions reading, "To open, use lid flipper," on new catsup bottles later this yr. It's not bop talk. Lid-flipper is a gadget to open bottles with a simple key-like twist, or (on some other bottles) a quick upward lift.

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